

Dear FCC and Chairman Michael Powell,

I implore you as a professional writer not to loosen media monopoly laws, and in fact, these laws need to be strengthened. There are too few voices being broadcast on mainstream airwaves, and even a brief perusal of the evening news and the radio spectrum will show evidence of overwhelming repetition of news and entertainment in today's environment. This repetition will increase if the media industry becomes more consolidated.

Specifically, allowing television stations to own major newspapers in the same market will only create a media climate where the same story is broadcast on television and then regurgitated in print. The "Free Press" is one of the founding institutions of this country and the FCC is undertaking this deregulation without sufficient public debate and scientific study.

I urge the FCC to postpone all deregulation and to schedule further public hearings as well as commission three scenario studies. The studies should examine what would happen if current media-ownership laws are loosened, allowed to remain in place, or made even tighter.

Sincerely, Gregg Mosson

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